

Destry has his or solipsity—in vain.

The creature's at his dirty work again."

The Argus is incorrigible. The man has taken up the idea that he is a great wit, a confounding clever fellow, and he accordingly scatters it over nonsense at a most unmerciful rate.

It is vain to attempt to correct him, ironical satire takes for positive praise, and ridicule he converts into compliment. He reminds us sometimes of an anecdote we once heard. A fellow whose blind zeal having led him to take rather too much part in a quarrel that was going on, was knocked down by a bystander for his impetuosity, when rising in the best humor imaginable, he exclaimed, "now, John, if you do that again, I'll get mad." His witticisms we could pardon, for they are as harmless as they are puny, but his attempts to be smart, he sometimes does great injustice, by making glibbed extracts from our remarks, and drawing unjustifiable inferences from them. In our last there was an editorial article recommending a Democratic State Convention. In this article we remarked,

"If we wish to recover the ground we have lost we must combine and reorganize our scattered forces. A State convention must be held. The people of every county in the State must hold meetings and appoint delegates to represent them." This is purely recommedatory—there is indeed nothing in the whole article that approaches to a spirit of dictation."

The Argus by taking only the two last sentences above quoted, finds a charge against us of having issued a "mandate" to the party, and attempted to "lash" the sovereigns of the land into the ranks. The man may have a very "tender" conscience perhaps, but it is of so supple a nature that it is scarcely worth the having.

The following extract from Mr. Buchanan's speech on the "Resurrection notes" (we mean on the bill to prohibit the issue and circulation of the notes of the late United States Bank,) is worthy of attention. The Whigs, or feds have always been unfortunate in regard to the particular time when they have brought about pressures and panics. The panic of 1834 was too soon by two years, and they could not keep it up long enough to serve their purpose—that is to defeat the election of Mr. Van Buren. The present panic is also equally ill-timed. They cannot possibly, even with all the aid of King Biddle, keep it up more than twelve months longer. The resumption of specie payments by the New York banks is a fatal blow to the hopes of the Biddle party. In less than twelve months every solvent bank in the Union will have resumed. The tide of prosperity will return upon us, a sound and uniform currency will be restored, exchanges will be equalized, and TRUTH will shed its irradiating beams over the land. The people will then see and understand the true state of the question, they will know who have been their real friends and who their disguised enemies—they will find that while it has been the object of the Biddle party to raise us a moneyed monopoly over a violated constitution, and prostrate the rights of the many for the interests of the few, the course of Jackson and Van Buren has been directed with a sole view to preserve the Constitution, and protect the welfare and the interests of all. Time will assuredly bring this truth to light, and speedily too. Let the federalists then make the most of their momentary, and partial success. Let them exult while they may, for they have but a brief space to do it in. It is only in times of adversity when they can rejoice; and hope for a triumph of their party, those thank heaven, must soon pass away, and with them will go every hope of federalism.

The Whigs have always been exceedingly unlucky in regard to the time of these periodical revulsions, occasioned by excessive banking. They have either come too soon or too late to answer their political purposes. Had the suspension of specie payments occurred one year sooner than it did, the hero of Tippecanoe might have been the successor of the hero of New Orleans. But the revolution came again at the wrong time; and long before the Presidential election of 1840, the country will again be prosperous. The effects of the suspension will have passed away, like the baseless fabric of a vision, without leaving a trace behind. Our late experience has been so severe that the next bank explosion may possibly be postponed until the year 1844. Whom it may then benefit I know not, nor do I much care. One thing is certain, that these revolutions can never do any thing but injury to the party in power. It is the nature of man to accuse the Government, or any thing else, except his own misconduct, for his misfortune."

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Our facious correspondent at Folsom gives some of his "missing" federal bank whig neighbors a few broad hints. Their party is certainly "going ahead" with a vengeance! but it is unfortunate that they should leave such short memories about their old secrets. Give us their names friend, properly authenticated, and we will help them along.

We shall take pleasure in exposing to the world all those rascals who dodge off without paying their debts.

The two new availables of the Argus, Messrs Hayne and Talmadge, is even a worse selection, if possible, than that of White and Tyler. We do not believe that either could get the vote of his own State. If run as such men, we feel certain they could not. The recommendation of Talmadge is certainly another evidence of the "tender" conscience of the Argus, and its devotion to principle.

It was something since intimated in the Argus that Mr. Calhoun had "divorced" himself from the Administration. We received a letter a few days ago from a high source in Washington, which assures us that there was not the slightest ground for such an assertion, and that Mr. Calhoun will continue to give a warm support to all the leading measures of the Administration. He has divested himself of the trammels of party for the good of his country. We publish to-day on our first page, his last reply to Mr. Webster, and would invite the particular attention of our readers to it.

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The Ohio Statesman mentions an instance of a successful attempt to cultivate the coffee plant in that state.

April 21, 1838.

MISSISSIPPI UNION BANK.

COMPLETE forms of the various Blanks furnished by the Attorney for the Union Bank may be had at this office: also Blank Writs, Blank Deeds, Summons, Executions, &c. May 20.

CIRCUIT COURT, SPECIAL TERM.

IN pursuance of an order to me directed from the Hon. Horace S. Bennett, presiding Judge of the Sixth Judicial District, a special term of the Circuit Court, for the County of Lowndes, in the State of Mississippi, will be held at the Court House in the town of Columbus, on the third Monday of June next, (1838) to commence at 10 o'clock A.M.

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